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Microsoft and Mr. Gates have laid waste to hundreds of companies, partners and competitors in the world of personal computers. It is true that they are better business men than most of their victims.

Unfortunately they have also been shown to be liars and law breakers.

Those of us who use computers to make our living (as opposed to those of us who make our living off of computer users) pay daily for the lack of choice and the half assed implementations that we HAVE to use. We have to use them because Microsoft has been able, through illegal and unethical means to amass such a huge position of control of the market place.

I'm sure that the damage they have done to computer users, shareholders of other companies and the economy in general can never be repaired but you can keep it from getting worse. If you simply make them sit in a corner, or (even worse allow this giveaway of hardware and software instead of money) to be their punishment they will simply smirk at your ignorance and continue in their foul and arrogant fashion. You have the power to put a stop to this and inject some variety and competition into this market again...don't blow it.

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